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**Expedited Procedure Examining**  
**Examining Group 2812**

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In response to the Final Rejection dated April 10, 2003, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry of record in the above-identified patent application.

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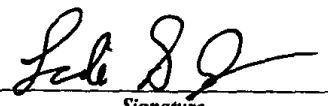
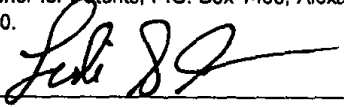
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				<b>Docket No.</b> BUR919990120US2 (13344A)	
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<b>Serial No.</b> 10/029,512 ✓	<b>Filing Date</b> December 21, 2001	<b>Examiner</b> Ron E. Pompay		<b>Group Art Unit</b> 2812	
<b>Invention:</b> PROCESS USING POLY-BUFFERED STI					
<p><u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS.</u></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p>					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0456/IBM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</div><div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); text-align: center;"><b>RECEIVED JUL 16 2003 TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800</b></div></div>					
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